

# Impact of COVID-19 on Area Agencies on Aging

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# AAAs Across the Nation



- Nationally established in the 1973 Older Americans Act (OAA)
- Designated “on the ground” organizations charged with helping vulnerable older adults live with independence and dignity within their communities.
- All AAAs play a key role in a wide range of long-term services and supports.



# Washington Association of Area Agencies on Aging



	Olympic Area Agency on Aging (PSA #1)
	Northwest Regional Council (PSA #2)
	Snohomish County Aging & Disability Services Division (PSA #3)
	Aging & Disability Services--Seattle-King County (PSA #4)
	Pierce County Aging and Disability Resources (PSA #5)
	Lewis/Mason/Thurston Area Agency on Aging (PSA #6)
	Area Agency on Aging & Disabilities of Southwest WA (PSA #7)
	Aging & Adult Care of Central WA (PSA #8)
	Southeast WA Aging & Long Term Care (PSA #9)
	Yakama Nation Area Agency on Aging (PSA #10)
	Aging & Long Term Care of Eastern WA (PSA #11)
	Colville Indian Area Agency on Aging (PSA #12)
	Kitsap County Division of Aging & Long Term Care (PSA #13)



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# AAA Populations

- OAA targets older adults (60+) who are in the greatest economic and social need including:
  - Low income
  - Rural or socially isolated
  - Ethnic and cultural minorities
  - Limited English proficiency
- Today's AAAs leverage other funds to serve a broader population base
- Non-OAA funded programs may have different eligibility requirements



# Service Areas



## Other Services

- Adult Day Health
- Case Management
- Mental Health
- Homecare / COPES Waiver services



# The New Normal







**Staff Mask Up to Keep Others Safe**





# Meals, Meals, and More Meals!







# Needed Equipment

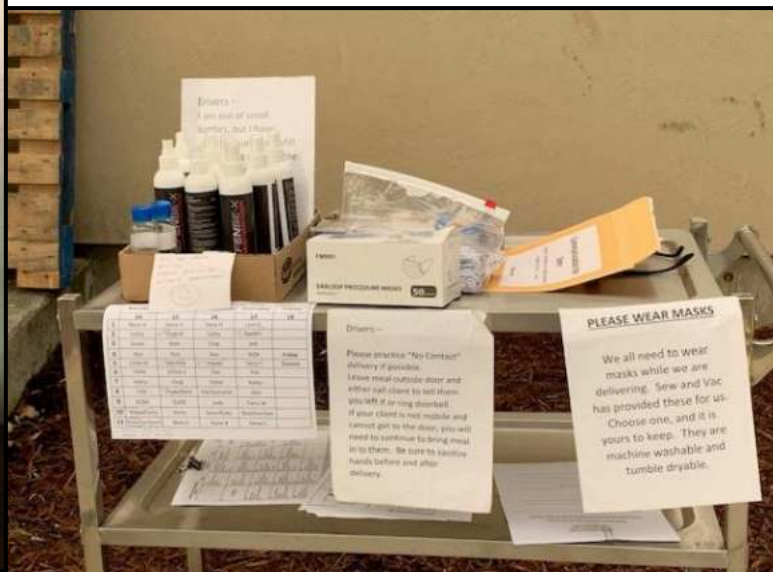




# Essential Supplies

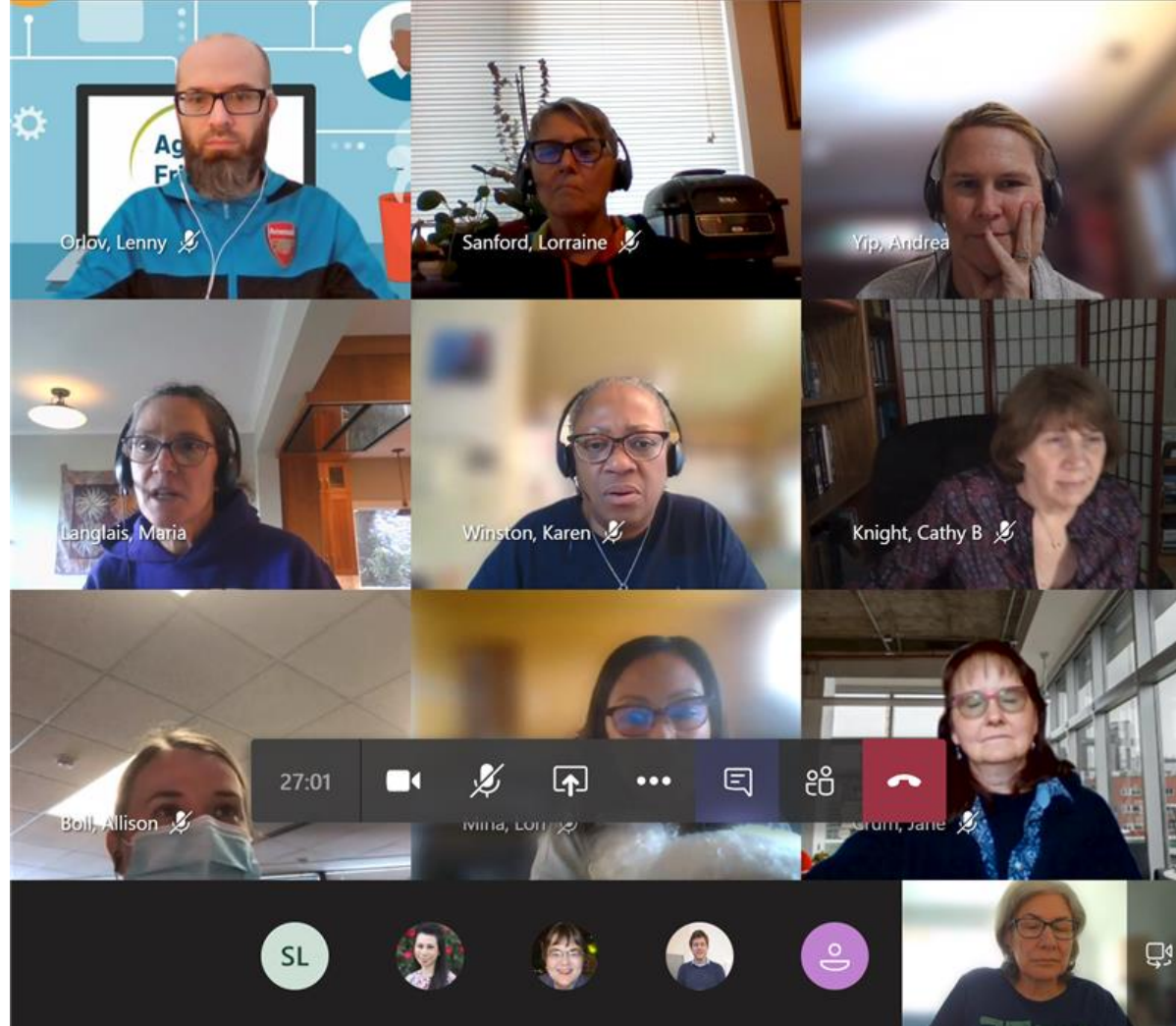






# Personal Protective Equipment





# Virtual Staff & Community Collaboration





# Innovative Partnerships





And as you do this, just starting to notice  
maybe feeling a little bit into that

# Adult Day Health Online







# Digital Access



# COVID Testing & Flu Shot Clinics





# Promoting Social Engagement: Options for people who feel lonely and isolated







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# Age*WISE* TV

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Channel 21 in Seattle

Available on demand at  
[bit.ly/2SZLiuK](http://bit.ly/2SZLiuK)



**AgeWise TV:**  
**Conceived by Seattle-area senior centers**

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# Advisory Council Online: Building video-conferencing expertise





# Zoom Advocacy: Meeting online with elected officials





# Innovative Solutions





**STAY HOME.  
STAY HEALTHY.  
STAY CONNECTED.**

WE CAN HELP!



**LEARN MORE**



WE'RE HERE TO HELP

**TIMES ARE TOUGH...  
BUT SO ARE YOU.**



**LEARN MORE**

# Innovative Solutions





**#AAAsAtWork for  
#OlderAdults**

**Increasing Use of Social Media:  
Promoting the work of AAAs**





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